

Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)

Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services

Maine Department of Health and Human Services

The Issue in Maine:

- ❑ 1200 Individuals (adults and youths) were homeless in Maine on 30 January 2014.
- ❑ 586 individuals receiving PATH services from 1 July to 30 September 2013
- ❑ 215 individuals received Outreach Services (actively engaging individuals where they are in campgrounds, shelters, hospitals, jails, etc.)
- ❑ 208 individuals enrolled in PATH program (specific demographic data entered into Homeless Management Information System and are actively being referred into main stream resources)
- ❑ 74 individuals were discharged in that time (Discharged from PATH into private provider services)



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Description: To provide outreach and engagement services to individuals who are homeless youth and adults, who are the hardest to reach and the most challenging to engage. These are often individuals with a yet unknown severity of mental illness or co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders.

To actively engage individuals who are homeless where they are – on the streets, in shelters, hospitals, correctional facilities, campgrounds and get them into the needed array of services.

The goal of outreach is to assess and determine eligibility for MaineCare services and ultimately transitioned to a community provider.

Program Goals: To increase access to resources

- ❑ Housing (Section 8, HUD, Shelter Plus Care, BRAP etc)
- ❑ Medical (Primary Care, Dental, Vision etc)
- ❑ Behavioral Health (Mental Health, Substance Abuse Counseling)
- ❑ Income (SSI, SSDI)
- ❑ Employment (Career Center, Workforce Development etc)
- ❑ Education (GED, Vocational etc)

Eligibility: Individuals who are literally homeless (sleeping in place not meant for human habitation, sleeping in an emergency shelter, staying in hospital, correctional facility, timing out of transitional housing program for homeless persons, victim of domestic violence, homeless veterans); or those who are At Risk of Homelessness (living in condemned building, arrears in utilities resulting in disconnection, received eviction notice, living in transitional housing, begin discharged from healthcare or corrections without a place to live)

Programs:

- ❑ **York County**
York County Shelter Program 207-324-1137
- ❑ **Cumberland County**
Preble Street Resource Center 207-775-0026
- ❑ **Androscoggin / Oxford / Franklin / Sagadahoc Counties**
Catholic Charities Maine 207-272-9210
New Beginnings 207-795-4077
- ❑ **Kennebec / Somerset / Waldo / Knox / Lincoln Counties**
Kennebec Behavioral Health 207-873-2136
- ❑ **Penobscot / Piscataquis / Hancock Counties**
Community Health and Counseling Services 207-947-0366
Bangor Area Homeless Shelter 207-947-0092
- ❑ **Aroostook / Washington Counties**
Aroostook Mental Health Services 1-800-244-6431

Or Contact Catholic Charities at PATH@CCMAINE.ORG